

you want a building up here at the East Campus to hang a bunch of dead horses and dead cows and pigs in it so that the students can cut them all apart and find out exactly where the muscles and the nerves and the bones and everything else is and if that's important in Nebraska to, important enough to build this huge building, then that's fine. But it certainly won't provide any of the research; it doesn't provide the exposure of the students to Nebraska's agriculture. The first three years of the program are basically your normal classroom type portions of the training. The fourth year of the program, however, is the one where they're really actually involved with clinical work, with exposure to the livestock industry, with exposure to the area where they're at, and if you're going to slant it in any direction, be it large animal or whatever, that's the only time when you can start doing it. You can't really do it in those first three years. I don't care what they, what they tell you because the accreditation of the school is insistent that they teach them a broad, broad knowledge. So what I'm saying is that that first three years could be conducted in somebody else's brick and mortar. We don't have to build that. Other people have got it and they're willing and needing assistance to keep it operating. Now I know a lot of people that think that's crazy but it's true. All you have to do is talk to other states. Now if that's true and if they're also hungry for additional clinical experience for those students, then I'm suggesting that the fourth year of that program we should have a clinical facility at Lincoln, one at North Platte, upgrade our diagnostic facilities we have out there, make them mean something so that our local veterinarians out there are not sending all our samples to Brookings or Utah or someplace else.

SPEAKER NICHOL: One minute.

SENATOR VICKERS: That way those students could be exposed to agriculture as we know it in Nebraska, could be exposed at a time in their training when they are, Mr. Chairman, is this ten minutes?

SPEAKER NICHOL: You have 9:26 so far.

SENATOR VICKERS: Okay, fine, thank you. When they are making the decision as to where they go. The fourth year is when they're really making their decision as to where they're going to settle. And I think that's important. So it seems to me that what we could do here and, by the way, I think I sent around to all of you the cost would be somewhere in the neighborhood of \$6 million for this program, so we're talking about being able to do something that would have the desired results for a potential cost of around \$22 or \$23 million less